

A Bill entitled, An Act for the Relief of Francis O'Connor, L. H. J. Robert Noble, of Dorchester County Goal; Thomas Joy, a Languishing Prisoner in Talbot County Goal; Cornelius Mahany, of Cecil County, Taylor, a Languishing Prisoner in Cecil County Goal; was Read the first time, and Ordered to lie on the Table.

M^r Goldsborough brings in the following Address, Ingressed; Viz:

To his Excellency Thomas Bladen Esq^r Governor of Maryland.

The humble Address of the House of Delegates.

May it please your Excellency,

This House hath tender'd a Bill, for Providing Arms and Ammunition for the Defence of the Province, and that in a larger Sum, than had been heretofore usual, in such Manner as we conceived most proper for our own Security, and the Rights and Privileges of those we Represent; which has been refused by the Upper House. This shews a manifest resolution in them not to accept of that provision, however necessary it may be, unless given in their way, which this House can in no wise agree to; and therefore must refer the sincerity of our intentions to the fact, and Impartial Judgement of others thereon.

As your Excellency's Recommendation shall always be duly Regarded, by this House, so that in relation, to the Militia Laws of this Province, is now under Consideration, and we shall do therein, what we conceive the necessity of the Case Requires.

Which was Read and Assented to, and Signed by Order of the House by the Honourable Speaker.

Ordered, That M^r N. Goldsborough and Col. Gale acquaint his Excellency, this House hath prepared an Address to him, and desires to know when and where he will Receive it: They return and acquaint M^r Speaker, the Governor would Receive the Address in the Conference Chamber, in half an Hour.

Ordered, That M^r N. Goldsborough and Col. Gale present the Address; They return, and Acquaint M^r Speaker, they presented it.

A Bill entitled, An Act empowering Mary Stokes, Widow and Executrix of Humphrey Wells Stokes, late of Baltimore County, Gent. deceased, to sell and dispose of the Lands and Tenements therein mentioned, to be sold for the uses and purposes thereby directed; was Read the first and second time, by an especial order, and passed, and sent to the Upper House by M^r W. Wilkinson and Cap^t David Wilson.

The House adjourns until the Morrow Morning at 9 of the Clock

Tuesday Morning, May 29. 1744

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The House met according to Adjournment, &c. All present as Yesterday except Cap^t Hyland.